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Sir:

Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks in response to the Office action dated February 28, 2001. Applicants request entry of the amendments and remarks into the record.

Amendments

In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 2, 4, 9, 11, 22, and 24

Please substitute original Claims 1, 6, 8, 10, 12, 13, and 14 with the amended Claims 1, 6, 8, 10, 12, 13, and 14, provided below. A version with markings to show changes made is provided following the remarks section, below.